

October 31, 1986

TO: File

FROM: Frank Filas, Reclamation Engineer

RE: Field Visit to Rocky Pass Mine, ACT/003/001,  
Box Elder County, Utah

On October 23, 1986, Dave Wham and I visited the Rocky Pass Mines, LTD mine site in the Grouse Creek Mountains. Access to the Mine site is gained via Highway 30. Approximately 6.3 miles east of the Grouse Creek turnoff, a gravel road heads north to northeasterly over Immigrant and Rocky Pass. Follow this road for 4 miles, then take the first left for an additional 3 miles to the mine site. This site was worked for three months during the summer of 1980.

The lower disturbed area consists of a trench (approximately 100 feet long x 20 feet wide x 20 feet deep), a small pit (80 feet x 60 feet x maximum of 20 feet deep), and an associated pad area. The upper disturbed area consists of a trench (80 feet long x 30 feet wide x 40 feet deep) and a pad area. There is an abandoned compressor at this pad area.

No reclamation work has been done on site. No erosional or hydrological problems were noted and there is minimal trash on site (the compressor, an empty 55 gallon drum, and an empty 5 gallon can were all that was noted). The trench highwalls pose a concern to public safety, but it is felt that the danger is minimal due to the remote location.

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